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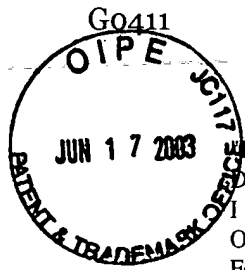
I, Alexander H. Nickel, declare as follows:

1. I am a co-inventor of U.S. Patent 6,515,368 B1, but I am not the inventor for the subject matter, which is disclosed but not claimed in U.S. 6,515,368 B1 and disclosed and claimed, in the above-referenced application.
2. In addition to myself, there is one other co-inventor, Sergey Lopatin, of U.S. 6,515,368 B1. While this individual is a co-inventor in U.S. 6,515,368 B1, he is the sole inventor of the subject matter claimed in the present application.

3. I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both under Section 1001 or Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the above-referenced application or any patent issuing thereon.

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Dear Sir:

I, Sergey Lopatin, declare as follows:

1. I am a co-inventor of U.S. Patent 6,515,368 B1, and am the sole inventor for the subject matter, which is disclosed but not claimed in U.S. 6,515,368 B1 and disclosed and claimed, in the above-referenced application.
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Date: 6/13/2003

By: Sergey Lopatin
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